

May 21, 2014
8:31 a.m.
Newport, Oregon

The Parks and Recreation Committee of the City of Newport met on the above date in the Newport Recreation Center.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Ed Simon.
2. Roll Call: Members present were Ed Simon, Sandra Surber, Nancy Steinberg, Fred Springsteen, Richard Balzer, Jennie Scarborough, Alisha Kern, Kathy Quinn, Karen Smith. Absent: Jimmy Rodriguez, Mark Saelens.
3. Staff/Guests Present: Parks and Recreation staff member Jim Protiva.
4. Action Items - Approval of minutes: Springsteen moved to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2014 meeting. Steinberg seconded. There were no objections and the motion passed.

Steinberg made a motion to respectfully thank Jimmy Rodriguez for his service and remove him from the Committee due to lack of attendance. Seconded by Balzer. All voted aye and the motion was approved.

5. Public Comment: None.
6. Director's Report. Protiva noted that the Home and Garden Show was held on May 16th, 17th and 18th, with attendance lower than usual due to good weather. The Coast Hills Mountain Bike Race was held on May 4th with about 160 riders, our biggest number so far. Protiva explained the process which was used in selecting an architect for the new pool project. Protiva added that Department staff had been discussing ways to get our information out to the public, including our activity guide, radio, TV, and publications. He also reported on the status of the budget process, noting that the Parks Master Plan update had not been funded. Protiva mentioned that the new Port Director, Kevin Greenwood has expressed interest in serving on the Committee

7. Sub-Committee Comments

Municipal Pool - Steinberg stated that she would like to use the website and Facebook pages that were set up for advocating the passing of the pool bond to keep the public updated on the project.

Tree City USA - Steinberg mentioned that the Committee had discussed meeting with the Community Forest Group and perhaps Mark Saelens could assist with

that. She also mentioned that in the near future they would need to plan the Arbor Day event.

Rec. Center, Programming, Sports, Events - Protiva mentioned that Mike Cavanaugh, our Sports Coordinator, had injured his knee and would need surgery, which might affect some of the summer sports normally offered. Springsteen asked if the Trailblazers would be coming to the Recreation Center this summer. Protiva said he would check on it. Surber asked about having a Junior Rampage at the Coast Park using the equipment that was already there.

Foundation - Soccer Golf Fundraiser. Springsteen described the Soccer Golf game and said he had seen this event held in Portland and it was quite successful as a fundraiser.

Parks, Trails & Forests - Kern noted that the City now had large maps that could be used for planning purposes and she could bring those to the next meeting. Kern also asked about the Jetty trail and its condition. Protiva noted that the trail was developed in a partnership with the Coast Guard and was not City property. The trail was never designed to go all the way down to the beach and that seems to become an issue now and then. Kern noted that she had been asked by the Bike/Pedestrian Committee to bring a proposal to the Parks Maintenance staff to have a doggie bag station at the beginning of the Coast to Bay Trail near Big Creek Park on Harney Street. Kern asked about the estuary trail and the erosion that had occurred in many spots making it hard to determine the actual path. Protiva informed her that she should contact Tim Gross or Derrick Tokos who might have equipment she could use to GPS the trail. Kern also asked about the status of the pump track. Protiva reported that the project could move forward, but there was no point person or group currently taking it on. Kern said that she would work to make that happen.

8. Develop Next Agenda - Meet Committee applicants.
Discuss Parks Master Plan with Derrick Tokos, City Planner.
9. The next meeting is scheduled for June 18th, 2014.
10. Adjournment - Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.